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SUBJECT: FOOD SUPPLY-NIGER

ROME FOR SKILES PASS OSRO

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1. VIEW PREVIOUS REPORTS FROM OSRO AND USAID MISSION/NIAMEY TO EFFECT THAT SUFFICIENT STOCKS EXIST IN NIGER TO MEET PRE-HARVEST NEEDS, AID INTENDS TO AWAIT RESULTS OF UNDP FOOD ASSESSMENT WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN NIAMEY.

2. IF A NIGER FOOD SHORTAGE IS ESTABLISHED, AID WILLING TO CONSIDER FORWARDING TO NIAMEY SOME USG STOCKS WHICH ARE CURRENTLY HELD IN ABIDJAN. HOWEVER, BELIEVE THIS POSSIBILITY SHOULD NOT BE RAISED UNTIL GON DECLARES ITS FULL SUPPORT FOR COTONOU/GAO FOOD SHIPMENTS CURRENTLY BEING CARRIED

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OUT TO MEET ESTABLISHED NEED VI REGION OF MALI.

3. NIGER ALERT TO DONOR COMMUNITY RAISES QUESTION AS TO SUFFICIENCY OF DONOR STOCKS CURRENTLY IN PIPELINE. PARTIC-

ULARLY RELEVANT IS STATUS OF 56,500 MT (FRANCE 19,500;
EEC 28,000; BELGIUM 9,000) WHICH DABELL/SKILES LETTER DTD

APRIL 10, 1975 CATEGORIZED AS QUOTE PLEDGED BUT NOT
ALLOCATED UNQUOTE. IN ADDITION THERE REMAINS THE EEC
RESERVE TOTAL OF 20,000 MT WHICH APPARENTLY HAS NOT BEEN
ALLOCATED. WOULD APPRECIATE LEARNING OSRO CURRENT VIEWS
ON NEED/DESIRABILITY OF MOVING SOME OF THESE STOCKS
FROM PLEDGED TO ALLOCATED STATUS.

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